

CLOSING PRAYER:

~ A Prayer to Christ the King ~

**Christ Jesus,
I acknowledge You as
King of the universe.
All that has been created
has been made for You.
Make full use
of Your rights over me.**

**I renew the promises
I made in Baptism,
when I renounced Satan
and all his works,
and I promise
to live a good Christian life
and to do all in my power
to procure the triumph
of the rights of God
and Your Church.**

**Divine Heart of Jesus,
I offer you my efforts
To lead all hearts
to acknowledge
your Sacred Royalty,
and that thus
the Kingdom of Your peace
may be established
throughout the universe.
Amen.**

CAMPUS MINISTRY OFFICE:

The Campus Ministry Office is located in **Our Lady Chapel**.
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Our Lady Chapel



Our Lady Chapel is a Roman Catholic community founded in the love of the Father, centered in Christ, and rooted in the Holy Cross tenets of building family and embracing diversity. We are united in our journey of faith through prayer and sacrament, and we seek growth through the wisdom of the Holy Spirit in liturgy and outreach, while responding to the needs of humanity.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING:

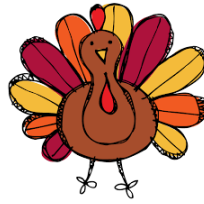
Again this year, the Chapel will be participating in Gilmour Academy's Thanksgiving Food Drive for the poor. We will have bins in the Chapel Lobby this weekend to collect your donations. Thank you in advance for your generosity and spirit of sharing!

Here is a list of items for our Baskets: Canned vegetables, canned fruit, canned soup, tuna, creamy peanut butter, jelly, boxed stuffing, cereal, macaroni & cheese, jars of gravy, tea, pudding, and boxed milk. We also want to provide each family with a potato peeler and liquid dish soap.

We are also accepting monetary donations to aid in purchasing perishable items each family will receive (the turkey, milk & potatoes). If you would like to help, please place your donation in the Offering Box.

MASS FOR THANKSGIVING DAY:

We will celebrate Mass in Our Lady Chapel on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 28 at 9:30 AM. We hope that you and your family will join us.

**MAKE YOUR FAMILY'S ADVENT WREATH—DEC. 1st:**

Again this year, we are going to be making family Advent Wreaths on Sunday, December 1st following Mass, at 11:30 AM [location TBA]. Cost of the Wreath Kit is \$25 — this includes trimmings, candles, and everything else you will need. Please know that cost is not a reason for not making an Advent Wreath; please contact **Father John**. The Sign-up Sheet for making Advent Wreaths is on the Easel in the Narthex. So start thinking about participating in this wonderful Advent activity.

On the day we make Advent Wreaths, we will also have **Coffee & Donuts in the Commons following Mass**. You may reserve your Wreath Kit by signing up on the easel, or by calling the Chapel Office [440-473-3560], or sending an email to Patty at: szaniszlop@gilmour.org. The deadline to RSVP is Monday, November 25. If you have any questions, please contact the Chapel office.

**THE GIVING TREE:**

Our Chapel Giving Tree will be up next weekend. We will have tags on the tree for items requested by Our Lady of Fatima Family Center, for the children & young people they serve. There will be a selection of toys and clothing for children from age 5–12 years. Select a tag from the tree, purchase your gift, and bring it back to the Chapel UNWRAPPED, to place under the tree. Please attach your tag to your gift. Gifts need to be turned in by Monday, December 16th. Please call Patty at the Chapel Office [440-473-3560 or szaniszlop@gilmour.org] if you have any questions.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

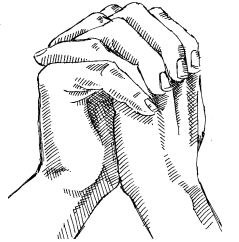
Sunday, December 8th, is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary. But because the fast falls on the first Sunday of Advent, it is moved to Monday, December 9th. It REMAINS a holy day of obligation. This is an important feast day because Mary, under the title of her Immaculate Conception, is the patroness of the United States. This Feast is also at the heart of the Advent Season. We will not have a Vigil Mass on Sunday. We will have 3 Masses on Monday, December 9th — 9:00 AM [Lower School]; 10:25 AM [Middle School], and 5:30 PM. All Masses will take place in the chapel. We have much to pray for in our nation at this time. Please mark your calendars so that you will be able to join us for Mass on this important Feast Day.

**PRAYER REQUESTS:**

Jesus calls us to pray for one another. Please keep all these people in your prayers.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

- For John Zippay, family friend of Bernadette and Stephen Ritley, who is seriously ill.
- For Jill Thompson, who is undergoing treatment for mental health issues.
- For Mike Heryak, husband of Janet, father of Lillian ['09], Rosa ['12] and Edwin ['17] Heryak, who is seriously ill.
- For Debbie Langer, friend of Cindy Frimel, who was diagnosed with brain cancer.
- For Nada Kucmanic, who is seriously ill.
- For Josephine Fernando, who is seriously ill.
- For Cathy Force, mother of Erika DiCello Lacroix ['90], Grandmother of Andre ['23] and AJ ['25] Lacroix, who is undergoing treatment for cancer.
- For Father Ray Sutter, pastor emeritus of St. Matthias Parish, who is undergoing treatment for cancer.
- For Sheldon Gray, who is suffering from a-fib, a recent fall, and has a brain bleed.
- For Janet Sterrett, who is confined to care in assisted living.
- For Cathy Lough, friend of Cyndi Frimel, who is undergoing health struggles.
- For Dave & Elaine Tanaski, who are suffering with dementia and other health complications.
- For Nick Chiacchiarri, father of Mark Mark Chiacchiarri ['94], father-in-law of Michelle Chiacchiarri ['96], and grandfather of Aurelia ['28], and Olivia ['30] Chiacchiarri, who is recovering from open heart surgery.
- For Kip Apel, who is recovering from surgery.
- For Sabrina Kumar, who is undergoing treatment for cancer.
- For Margaret Thompson, friend of Joyce Toth, who is under the care of hospice.
- For Thomas Verdi, father of Gilmour Parent, Kathleen Impullitti, father-in-law of Nick Impullitti ['01], grandfather of Joey ['34], Jackson ['36], and Quinn ['39] Impullitti, who is seriously ill following cardiac arrest.

**PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED:**

- For Frank McCamley, former Gilmour teacher, father of Brian ['03] and Lauren ['08] McCamley.
- For David DeLaney ['81].
- For Johanna Flaherty, grandmother of Nathan ['22], Kevin ['24] and Megan ['30] Flaherty
- For Jim Klick, uncle of Linda Monitello, great uncle of Anthony ['17] and Angeline ['19] Monitello
- For Courtney Kuhl.
- For Father James Watzke, C.S.C.
- For Duane Gardner.
- For Barbara Pophal.
- For John Shear
- For Father Neil O'Connor, pastor emeritus of St. Peter Parish in North Ridgeville.
- For John Plucinsky, father of Thomas ['85], and grandfather of Ty ['20] and Chad ['23] Plucinsky.
- For Michael Guljas, brother of Father Andy Guljas, C.S.C.
- For Craig Koenig, father of Bridget Palmer ['04], brother of Brian ['63], Uncle of Kevin Koenig ['89], Kristen Bird ['90], and Kyle Koenig ['94].

A YOUNG ADULT GROUP MEETING DEC. 1:

The Young Adult group will be holding their next meeting at 11:45 AM on Sunday, December 1st in the Lennon Board Room. We will be making our Advent Wreaths, and then engaging in some discussion. Here is an opportunity to get together, share some time in faith, and also to support each other in life’s journey, as we continue to grow and become the people that God wants us to be. If you are interested and would like to be part of this new adventure, please join us at our next meeting, or contact Richard Jones, Stephanie Leonor, Joe Gurney, or Edwin Heryak. Of course, you can also contact Father John at the chapel if that would be easier for you. God bless you.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

- Monday:** Revelation 14:1-3, 4b-5, Luke 21:1-4
- Tuesday:** Revelation 14:14-19, Luke 21:5-11
- Wednesday:** Revelation 15:1-4, Luke 21:12-19
- Thursday:** 1Kings 8:55-61, 1 Corinthians 1:3-9, Luke 1:39-55
- Friday:** Revelation 20:1-4, 11-21:2, Luke 21:29-33
- Saturday:** Romans 10:9-18, Matthew 4:18-22
- 1st Sunday of Advent:** Jeremiah 33:14-16, 1Thessalonians 3:12-4:2, Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

WEEKLY OFFERING:

Baskets are located on the pillars just inside the center door when you enter the chapel. Please place your offering in the basket. Baskets will not be passed during the offertory time. Your offering will help offset chapel daily operating expenses. When you choose to use the envelopes, you can request a printout of your offerings for the year to submit to the IRS. God bless you.

Total Offerings: Saturday [11/16/24] _____ \$ 345.00
Total Offerings: Saturday [11/17/24] _____ \$ 462.00

NOVENA TO BLESSED BASILE MOREAU:

Blessed Basile Moreau was the founder of the Congregation of Holy Cross, to which Fr. John and the Brothers at Gilmour belong. We have two booklets with Novenas to Blessed Basile Moreau. One is used for a personal intention or healing; the other is used when praying for the intention or healing of someone other than yourself. The Novenas were composed by Father Thomas Looney, C.S.C. Many have received blessings and healings through the intercession of Blessed Basile Moreau, and now we want to extend this invitation to you and your family. Please see Father John and he will be glad to give you the booklets.

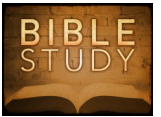


CHRIST IS OUR LIFE:

Christ Himself is our mouth through which we speak to the Father, our eye through which we see the Father, our right hand through which we offer to the Father. Without His intercession neither we nor all the saints have anything with God.
 —St. Ambrose

NEXT BIBLE STUDY — WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4th:

Our next Virtual Bible Study will be on Wednesday, December 4th at 6:30 PM. Bible Study continues to meet bi-weekly. The Bible Study is open to everyone — all middle and high school students, college students, young adults, and all adults. We will all come together to be enriched by God’s word. It’s a great time, and a good witness of our faith to others. If you can’t come at 6:30, come when you can. Gather your favorite snack and/or drink, but be prepared to be nourished on God’s word.



Our topic: The Humanity of Jesus

Mark your calendars and be part of this wonderful activity that will deepen your spiritual journey. We will meet every other week — topic to be decided at the end of the previous meeting. Join us. You’ll have a blast, and celebrate your faith along the way..

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK:

Sunday, November 24: Feast of Christ the King	10:00 AM In-Person & Live Stream
Monday, November 25:	NO MASS
Tuesday, November 26:	NO MASS
Wednesday, November 27:	NO MASS
Thursday, November 28: Thanksgiving Day	9:30 A M In Person only
Friday, November 29:	NO MASS
Saturday, November 30: First Sunday of Advent	5:00 PM In Person only
Sunday, November 24: First Sunday of Advent	10:00 AM In-Person & Live Stream

OLC “ADOPT A FAMILY” PROGRAM COMING SOON:

For many years, Our Lady Chapel community has worked with St. Adalbert Parish in adopting families to help them celebrate the Christmas Season. St. Adalbert identifies families — most often single parent, below poverty-level families, in their school & parish. We are given the grade levels of the children & other family information. Since the pandemic, we have been limited to gift cards, but this year we are opening it up to gift cards or actual gifts. In recent years, we have begun this project earlier in order to take advantage of pre-Christmas sales, etc. So St. Adalbert has sent us their list of families whom they would like to serve this year. The need is greater than ever. In addition to gifts for family members, we also ask that you provide a Christmas meal for the family in the form of Gift Cards for Wal-Mart, Dave’s or Aldi [or purchase non-perishable items and place them in a basket]. Those from our Chapel family who participated in this project last year spoke very highly of the benefit of this project to their own families. This is a project that the entire family can get involved in. Families can be matched according to family size, ages, etc. It was truly inspiring. Adopt-a-family gifts should be WRAPPED. Please call Patty at the Chapel Office [440-473-3560 or szaniszlop@gilmour.org] if you and your family would like to participate. this program, or if you have any questions.



A REFLECTION ON THIS WEEK’S THEME:

I once heard a story about a man who travelled to London to attend an interview for an important post in the security services. When he arrived at the appointed place, he found five other applicants in the waiting room — all discussing their prospects. There was no secretary on duty. A sign on the wall stated that applicants were to knock and enter the interview room at fifteen-minute intervals, beginning at eleven o’clock. They were to leave the interview room by another door, so that the nature of the questioning could be kept secret.

The applicants discussed the strange arrangement; they reflected on what questions might be asked; they wondered what qualities would be needed for the post. At eleven o’clock one of them — who said he had been the first to arrive — went to the door of the interview room, knocked and entered. The remaining five men continued to discuss various matters among themselves. So, the time passed.

At a quarter past twelve, the last man to arrive rose from his chair, walked over to the door of the interview room, knocked and entered. When he stepped into the room, he was confused by what he saw. Behind the large oak table that dominated the room sat his interviewers — they were the same five men who had been in the waiting room. The interview was already over — all the information they needed had been extracted from him during the casual conversation in the waiting room.

We have another kind of interrogation in John’s Gospel for this Feast of Christ the King [John 18:33-37]. It is much more direct than the one we just heard about. Pilate immediately cuts to the chase — “Are you the King of the Jews?” This time it is the interviewee who is enigmatic. Jesus responds with a question as if he is turning the tables on Pilate. But eventually Jesus does provide the answer not only to Pilate’s interrogation but to the questions in the minds of the readers of John’s Gospel — and to the questions we have about him today — “Yes, I am a King” he says, “But my Kingdom is not of this world.”

Yes, Jesus is a King. Not a King as we know it and his Kingdom is as unlike any Kingdom here on earth as it possibly could be. His Kingdom is no ordinary Kingdom for it is the goal and destination of the whole of humanity, because it is under Christ’s rule that we will all ultimately come. Pilate has found himself in the extraordinary position of interrogating the King of the Universe, the Lord of Lords, the Judge and Ruler of all creation. If he fully understood what was happening it was Pilate who should have been shaking in his shoes — not Christ.

This great feast in honor of Christ the King marks the very end of the Liturgical Year. It is most appropriate therefore that we look to the very last thing of all — the Second Coming of Christ. We began the year with our preparations to celebrate the First Coming of Christ and now we look to the End Times to what we Catholics call the Four Last Things — Death, Judgement, Heaven and Hell. There could be no better fruit for meditation for a Christian in this last week of the liturgical year, than to reflect on “where am I heading.”

Death, Judgement, Heaven and Hell — even the words sound gloomy and somber, but they shouldn’t be, for it is our firm belief that Christ has won the victory and so meditating on these Four Last Things should actually be like any other examination of conscience. Spending a little time thinking about them will help us realize just how lucky we are and how important it is for us to stay on track, as it were, with our Christian faith and strive all the harder to love God and do good in the world.

During this last year in our scripture readings we have considered all the most important aspects of the life of Christ. They have been cleverly arranged so that we mark the various seasons appropriately



and look at the life of Christ principally through the eyes of St Mark. It is as if we have been listening to a wonderful symphony with its various moods and movements. There have been moments of wonder and awe — such as the Nativity of Christ; there have been times of tragedy and sorrow — as with Christ’s death on the Cross. We have experienced the glory of the Resurrection and the regular and persistent drumbeat of the teaching of Christ. And in celebrating this feast, we come to the finale when Christ quietly and with great self-assurance standing alone before Pilate accepts for himself the extraordinary title King of Kings.

It is a moment of great majesty and splendor, and yet almost all of those actually present did not recognize it for what it was. 90% of those there — including Pilate — probably regarded Jesus’ words as a joke. And yet it was these words which presaged his triumph on the Cross and the great victory over sin and death. It was a moment whose significance was beyond all expectation and which transformed the world.

Although we know that the Kingdom of God will not be made present in all its fullness until the Last Day, we clearly understand that, by accepting this title, Jesus Christ changed the course of human history and began the inauguration of the Kingdom. The Kingdom of God is then already born and although we do not know when it will come into its fullness, however, we know that the work has begun and that we are privileged to be part of it. This is the task of the Christians of today — to help the Kingdom of God to find a place in the hearts of all of mankind. It is a sacred duty, an honorable task, a privileged undertaking.

And so, on this great Feast Day — the last in our Christian Calendar — our hearts are filled with hope and optimism. This is best summed up in the words spoken as we greet the flame of the Paschal Candle on Holy Saturday Night: “Christ yesterday and today, the Beginning and the End, Alpha and Omega. All time belongs to him and all the ages. To Him be glory and power through every age forever. Amen.

—taken from the writings of Father Alex McAllister, S.D.S., which appear on the internet.

SERVING THE LORD IN THE POOR — DECEMBER 21st:

Our Savior Lutheran Church — across the street from the Chapel — has a Food Pantry which distributes food to the community on **the third Saturday of each month**. They welcome volunteers. **On Saturday morning at 9 AM, they need help unloading the trailers and setting up items for distribution and preparing for the food pantry to open. It serves around 150 clients each time. The food pantry serves clients from 9:30 AM—1:30 PM on Saturday.**

Our Savior Lutheran’s Food Pantry was formed to serve those in emergency situations and/or with on-going need in the cities of Mayfield Heights, Mayfield Village, Highland Heights and Gates Mills. The Food Pantry respects social and cultural diversity and upholds the worth and dignity of those it serves. All those in the area with need will be served equally, as supplies allow. The food pantry is a member of the Greater Cleveland Food Bank. Please join us for a great experience.

This date should be very busy, as it is right before the holiday! Please let us know in the Chapel office [440-473-3560] if you would like more information or if you would like to help. This is a wonderful way to serve others. Please consider this opportunity.

FAITH EDUCATION — NOVEMBER and DECEMBER DATES:

Our Faith Education Program has begun. Meeting dates for November are: 24. Meeting Dates for December are: 8-15.

Our Sessions go from **8:45—9:45 AM, on Sunday mornings**, with the hope that our children would then **participate in our 10:00 AM Family Mass**. Thank you for taking care of this important responsibility.

